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b. About six Motor Patrol Boats are stationed at Lafsami [ ] and 25X1  
 form a barrier patrol [ ] 25X1  
 These barrier patrol vessels appear [ ] to be "homemade," carry a gun of 25X1  
 about 37mm forward, none aft. [ ] a small antiaircraft gun is 25X1  
 located on the bridge. On top of Lafsami [ ] is a military guard and  
 signal station. 25X1

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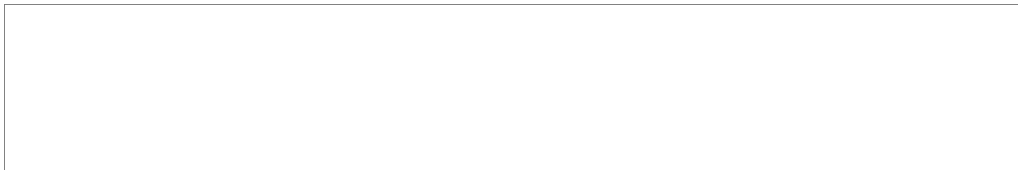
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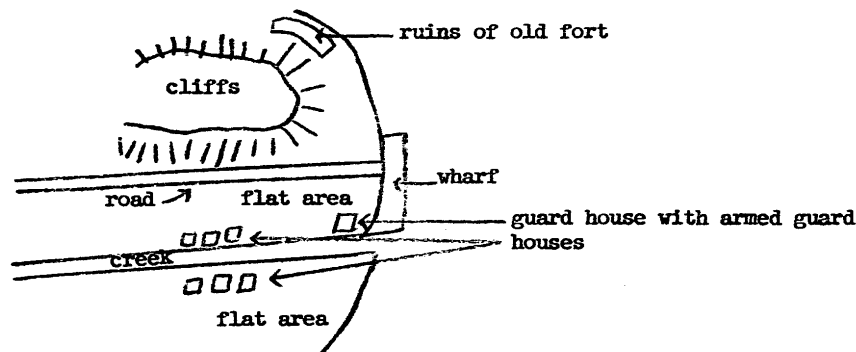


5. Merchant and Local River Vessels About five ships were noted in the anchorage off Whampoa 25X1

[redacted] Above Canton [redacted] many junks - 25X1  
 laying to. Several armed Chinese merchant ships were observed which [redacted] 25X1  
 thought were built in the US (not Liberty ships, however). They were described 25X1  
 as having four hatches and three islands with guns located one forward, two on 25X1  
 bridge, one on after boat deck, and one on poop deck. These guns were light 25X1  
 (less than 1" [redacted] with steel shields surrounding them, and 25X1  
 covered with canvas. [redacted] crew [redacted] 25X1  
 [redacted] must belong to some military group rather than to 25X1  
 the merchant marine. One of these vessels [redacted] 25X1  
 [redacted] offloaded 500 tons of source's vessel's cargo. 25X1 25X1

6. New Construction Housing being constructed in Whampoa port area [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] Location of dredging above wharf [redacted] 25X1  
 [redacted] a new wharf has been completed at [redacted] 25X1  
 Anung Hoi. [redacted] This wharf is under guard. No activity was observed [redacted]  
 there [redacted] the wharf will have a military use [redacted]  
 [redacted] The wharf is diagramed below, and is  
 further described as stone or concrete, with a length of at least 65 yards and  
 a height above water level of some  $4\frac{1}{2}'$ .



7. Military Installations

- a. [redacted] on South Wantong, North Wantong, and Anung Hoi are 25X1  
 ruins of old forts. These ruins are being restored by laborers and the debris 25X1  
 carried off by junks.
- b. [redacted] no activity in the supposed area of seaplane base east of 25X1  
 Canton, in fact, saw no airplanes of any type [redacted]
- c. Around Whampoa, upstream and downstream as well as on both sides of the 25X1  
 river, [redacted] searchlight beams. [redacted] there were a "lot" of  
 searchlights "all around," but none very near the water's edge. Inasmuch as 25X1

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[redacted] only the beams of the lights [redacted]

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[redacted] number at about 30, all aimed at the sky. Almost every night, [redacted] they would engage in searchlight drills. Their power was described as being equal to those used by the Germans in World War II at least.

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8. Naval Vessels [redacted] Navy "control boats" are located [redacted] 25X1  
 [redacted] off Lafsami. In the bay between Tower Hill and Anung Hoi Point 25X1  
 there is a berthing place for a gunboat tender ([redacted] "a 25X1  
 mother ship") about 200 feet long, painted gray, and with a long, very square 25X1  
 silhouette. The area opposite Tai Kok Tau [redacted] seems to 25X1  
 be used exclusively for naval maneuvers. Gunboats are seen often in that  
 area and give the impression of being engaged in practicing maneuvers - turning,  
 going ahead full, all back, etc. These gunboats are described as smaller than  
 the German "schnellboote" of World War II. There seems to be no pattern to  
 their maneuvers.

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10. Shore Activities Seamen's Club is located [redacted] 25X1  
 some 50 yards from the main gate to the port area of Whampoa. Seamen's Club 25X1  
 representatives arranged for busses to take members of the crew to Canton. 25X1  
 These representatives spoke English. [redacted] presence of a  
 "Foreign Visitors House" near the waterfront in Canton.

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